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Mark Your Calendars – Second Annual Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism  
The Second Annual Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism will be held October 6 and 7, 2004 at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in downtown Indianapolis. The title of this year’s conference will be “Volunteers Building Community: Growth, Leadership, and Collaboration” and will have a construction theme.

ICCSV to Host Regional Summits on Service and Volunteerism

In an effort to introduce individuals and organizations to the Indiana Unified State Plan for Service (USP), the ICCSV will host seven more regional summits on the following dates:

<b>March 16, 2004</b> – South Bend	<b>April 13, 2004</b> – West Lafayette
<b>April 27, 2004</b> – Fort Wayne	<b>May 11, 2004</b> – Terre Haute
<b>May 25, 2004</b> – Evansville	<b>June 9, 2004</b> – New Albany
<b>TBA</b> – Richmond	

Please note the changes to the dates for the Fort Wayne, Richmond, and West Lafayette summits. If you or your organization is interested in convening a regional host committee, please contact Ms. Sherry Early-Aden at (317) 232-2504 or [searly-aden@dwd.state.in.us](mailto:searly-aden@dwd.state.in.us). To download a copy of the Host Committee Guide, please visit our Web site at [www.IN.gov/iccsv/unified](http://www.IN.gov/iccsv/unified).

Indiana Service-Learning Conference

The Indiana Department of Education will host the 2004 Indiana Service-Learning Conference on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at the Adams Mark Hotel at the Airport in Indianapolis. The theme for this year’s conference is “Fitting the Pieces Together to Build Strong Communities.” Learn about Service-Learning from the EXPERTS: students, educators, community partners, and consultants! Experience workshops, roundtables, and panels featuring themes on: environment, advocacy, higher education and much, much more! For more information and a copy of the registration form, visit [www.serve.indiana.edu](http://www.serve.indiana.edu). Don’t miss this professional development opportunity! **The Early Bird Rate ends February 10, 2004!** Funding for this event is made possible by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

49<sup>th</sup> Annual Indiana Governor’s Conference on Aging

The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Governor’s Conference on Aging – “Celebrate Every Age: Hope, Knowledge, and Dignity” – will take place on December 7-8, 2004 at the Westin Hotel in downtown Indianapolis. For more information, please contact Mark Laker ([mlaker@fssa.state.in.us](mailto:mlaker@fssa.state.in.us)) at (800) 545-7763, or (317) 232-1734.

16<sup>th</sup> Annual National Youth Service Day

April 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> is National Youth Service Day. Free materials to assist with planning service projects are available at [www.ysa.org/nysd/resource/nysd\\_resources\\_parent.cfm](http://www.ysa.org/nysd/resource/nysd_resources_parent.cfm)

*Communities Building Community*

Indiana 2016 and WFYI-Channel 20 are preparing to hit the road again for the second season of *Communities Building Community with Judy O’Bannon*. Through highlighting the ways that individuals, groups, and communities are banding together and making a difference in their communities, Indiana 2016 and WFYI hope to inspire others to become involved in building their communities. Visit [www.wfyi.org](http://www.wfyi.org) to find out more about the series and to view segments from last season, and e-mail story ideas that you would like to see featured in the series to Katy Brett at [kbrett@dwd.state.in.us](mailto:kbrett@dwd.state.in.us).

Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge to Meet With Citizen Corps Volunteers  
To recognize the contribution citizens make in helping to keep our hometowns secure, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge and other high-level Department officials will meet with volunteers active in Citizen Corps when they travel across the country. Through Citizen Corps, the Department of Homeland Security provides local opportunities for everyone to participate in hometown security through personal preparedness, training, and volunteer opportunities. On February 11, Mr. Rocco Forgione of Somerville, MA became the first Citizen Corps volunteers to meet with the Secretary. Contact Brad Woodlee at (317) 233-0902 or [bwoodlee@dwd.state.in.us](mailto:bwoodlee@dwd.state.in.us) to find out you or someone you know can get involved in your local Citizen Corps Council; or help start one if your community is not presently participating.

#### Funding Opportunities

Interested in getting information related to potential grants and funding? The ICCSV compiles grant and funding opportunities from various listservs and mailings into a monthly bulletin for our partners and programs. The Commission sends this information via e-mail on the first Friday of every month. If you would like the Commission to add your name to its email distribution list, please contact Brandy Wood at [bwood@dwd.state.in.us](mailto:bwood@dwd.state.in.us).

#### Did you know?

Did you know the first woman in America was admitted to the practice of law in 1869? Did you know the first woman elected to the position of mayor in the U.S. was in 1887? March is Women's History Month. For some fun and interesting facts about the history of women, please visit [www.infoplease.com/spot/womenshistory1.html](http://www.infoplease.com/spot/womenshistory1.html). Don't forget to celebrate International Women's Day on March 8<sup>th</sup>!

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#### Important Deadlines and Upcoming Events

Indiana Service-Learning Conference	March 9, 2004
Indiana AmeriCorps Mid-Year Retreat (sponsored by the IADA)	March 9 – 11, 2004
USP Regional Summit – South Bend	March 16, 2004
USP Regional Summit – West Lafayette	April 13, 2004
ICCSV Board Retreat - Indianapolis	April 15 –16, 2004

**Available Now!** Indiana Volunteers License Plates (for front of vehicle) are available for purchase. For more information, please contact Sarah Damon at the ICCSV at [sdamon@dwd.state.in.us](mailto:sdamon@dwd.state.in.us).

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